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**FORMER GALYANS EMPLOYEE SENTENCED
FOR \$500,000 EMBEZZLEMENT**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that AMANDA B. CAMPTON, 24, Camby, Indiana, was sentenced today to 33 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge David F. Hamilton following her guilty plea to Bank Fraud. This case was the result of a investigation by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

The facts presented today established that AMANDA B. CAMPTON was hired on September 29, 2003 by Galyans Trading Company, Inc. to work as an accounts payable processor in their accounting department. In less than two weeks, CAMPTON began a bank fraud scheme where she created and submitted false and fraudulent expense vouchers to the

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Galyans accounting department for the payment of certain vendors. The fraudulent vouchers CAMPTON created were for artificial expenses, but the submission of the documents resulted in the creation of Galyans business checks to pay for the purportedly valid business charges. CAMPTON caused these checks to be payable either to herself, by using her maiden name Spaulding on the checks, or to her creditors. In total, 25 separate checks were issued at the direction of CAMPTON. The aggregate amount of these checks was \$563,145.50, but because the fraud was revealed before the last checks could be negotiated, the actual amount received by CAMPTON was \$382,133.16. The scheme lasted for only approximately six weeks and the funds obtained by CAMPTON were through Galyans account at National City Bank of Indiana.

According to Assistant United States Attorney James M. Warden, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Hamilton also imposed three years supervised release following CAMPTON's imprisonment. CAMPTON was ordered to make restitution in the of about \$250,000.

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